



Automobile National Heritage Area

Michigan

Authorized November 6, 1998

Years since Designation

1998 2002

Management Entity Automobile National Heritage Area Partnership, Inc. (non-profit 501c(3))

Management Plan Status approved

Square Mileage of Counties in Heritage Area 8,139

2000 Census Data

Data	2000 Census	Percent Change from 1990
<i>Total Population</i>	5,882,126	+4.7
<i>Persons under 18 Years, Percent</i>	26.1	-2.0
<i>Persons 25-44 Years, Percent</i>	30.2	-8.3
<i>Persons Over 65 Years, Percent</i>	11.2	+7.5
<i>White Alone, Percent</i>	84.4	-5.5
<i>Hispanic Origin, Percent</i>	3.0	+28
<i>Black or African American, Percent</i>	9.0	+10.9
<i>Median Household Income (2000 \$)</i>	46,302	+1.3
<i>Percent Unemployed</i>	5.5	-22.2
<i>Percent Below Poverty Level</i>	11.3	+8.7

Resources Profile

<i>Number of National Register Properties</i>	488
<i>Number of National Historic Landmarks</i>	16
<i>National Natural Landmarks</i>	3
<i>National Park Units</i>	0

Congressional Districts 11

Local Government Units 691



Profile

At the beginning of the 20th century, a small group of pioneer auto manufacturers assembled a few hundred “horseless carriages” in Michigan. By the time twenty years had passed, Michigan had more than 700 automotive-related companies on record, including 367 in Detroit alone. Southeast Michigan, which includes the “Motor Cities” of Detroit, Lansing and Flint, is considered to be the region that put the world on wheels. The heritage area consists of six significant corridors. This collection of auto-related museums, attractions, activities and events exists to preserve and interpret the story of the automobile.

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